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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application of: Joseph A. Zupanick et al.  
Serial No.: 10/003,917 ✓  
Filing Date: November 1, 2001  
Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR SURFACE PRODUCTION  
OF GAS FROM A SUBTERRANEAN ZONE

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This is in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Under 37 CFR 1.53(b) – Filing Date Granted, mailed January 3, 2002. Applicant submits herewith:

- (a) A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application;
- (b) An executed Declaration and Power of Attorney for the above-referenced patent application, which was filed on November 1, 2001;
- (c) An executed Verified Statement claiming small entity status;
- (d) An executed Assignment for the above-referenced patent application, the transmittal form and filing fee in the amount of \$40.00 are included herewith; and
- (e) A check in the amount of \$65.00 is enclosed for the filing fees and surcharge for a small entity.

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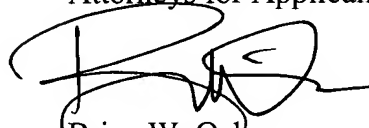
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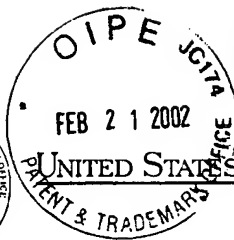
  
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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 65.

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